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	Filing Date	July 25, 2001
	First Named Inventor	Hassan K. Sreenath
	Group Art Unit	1651 ✓
	Examiner Name	Prats, Francisco Chandler
	Attorney Docket Number	096429-9108

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This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114, of the above-identified application.

**Submissions Included:**

- Amendment & Request for Reconsideration Under 37 CFR 1.116
- Request for One-month Extension of Time
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Applicant claims small entity status.

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For: METHOD FOR SIMULTANEOUS SACCHARIFICATION AND  
FERMENTATION OF SPENT CELLULOSE SAUSAGE CASINGS

AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

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Sir:

In the matter of the above-identified application, and in response to the Final Office Action mailed April 23, 2003, the Advisory Action mailed July 9, and the Attachment to Advisory Action mailed July 28, 2003, Applicant requests entry of the amendment and consideration of the documents listed in the Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement submitted June 23, 2003. This response is accompanied by a Request for Continued Examination and a request for a one-month extension of time, extending the period for reply from July 23, 2003 to August 23, 2003.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 3 of this paper.